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Hon. Julius Genachowski, Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

> Re: LightSquared, DA 12-1863, IB Docket No. 12-340; RM-11683, Reply Period

## Dear Chairman Genachowski:

As I told you in my last letter, I practice law in Lexington, Kentucky, as senior partner in a small law firm that represents individuals and small businesses. One of my areas of practice is aviation law, and in the past, I have been an instrument certified private pilot myself. I was admitted to the bar in 1971, and although I have spent most of the time since then engaged in the private practice of law, I have also served on the staff of the City Attorney of Lexington, and have acted as a criminal public defender in the Federal Court system. Because of my aviation background, I was initially concerned about the possibility that LightSquared's operations might interfere with the GPS system; however, I as I said in my last letter, any problems that might have arisen under its earlier proposal have now been solved by its proposed move to a new portion of the spectrum.

I now write again during the reply period to suggest that the comment made by the Competitive Carriers' Association, a trade group of regional wireless carriers, summarizes my hope for LightSquared's operation:

"Given CCA's members' current need for usable spectrum, the wholesale capacity, as LightSquared has indicated will be offered on its network, represents a potential

victorian square 401 West Main Street, Suite 303 Lexington, Kentucky 40507 alternative pathway to 4G, particularly for competitive carriers seeking a nationwide footprint and enhanced speeds, but facing additional, well-documented challenges in deploying their own 4G networks. Such wholesale capacity, which LightSquared has indicated it will make available at rates lower than current prevailing rates, also promises to provide another way for smaller carriers to offer high-speed service capable of competing with the nation's two largest wireless providers."

Only LightSquared can provide the type of network that can remedy this problem, and bring good cell phone service within the reach of every Kentuckian. In my last letter, I noted that I regularly represent clients in the Central and Eastern areas of the state, and that attending depositions and making court appearances in these counties often requires my travel to areas which do not have any wireless broadband service at all, even on the 2G level. Most of these areas have cell service that is barely adequate for voice communications, if at all. As the CCA reiterates, we need an "alternative pathway" in order to bring good cell service and wireless broadband service to these rural areas.

Therefore, I respectfully urge the FCC to grant LightSquared's application for a license modification that would allow it to use a portion of the bandwidth that would not interfere with GPS devices.

Very truly yours,

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